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1. LABOR OPPOSITION TO CHILEAN COPPER ORE CONTINUES IN FINLAND. FINNISH METALWORKERS UNION MEMBERS REFUSE TO HANDLE ORE AT OUTOKUMPU COPPER SMELTER. LOCAL'S STAND ENDORSED BY UNION'S NATIONAL EXECUTIVE OCTOBER 11. METALWORKERS PLAN TO TAKE MATTER UP FOR POSSIBLE JOINT SCANDINAVIAN ACTION AT NORDIC METALWORKERS SECRETARIAT MEETING IN STOCKHOLM OCTOBER 21 AND 22. CHILEAN COPPER ORE BOYCOTT ALSO BEING PURSUED BY LEFTIST MEMBERS OF STATE-RUN OUTOKUMPU'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. FINNISH TRANSPORT WORKERS UNION AND SEAMENS UNION EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES OF BROADENING BOYCOTT AND MAKING FUTURE ACTIONS MORE EFFECTIVE. WITH MAJOR EFFORT TO COLLECT CHILE "SOLIDARITY FUNDS" LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- 2. METALWORKERS CHAIRMAN SULO PENTTILA SAYS BOYCOTT IS LIKELY TO PROVE MORE SHOW THAN SUBSTANCE. ORE IS NOT "PERISHABLE COMMODITY" AND OUTOKUMPU HAS ADEQUATE SUPPLIES AT THE MOMENT FROM OTHER SOURCES. FINNISH GOVERNMENT, IN RESPONSE TO DEMANDS THAT IT STOP TRADE WITH CHILE, HAS STATED IT WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH FOREIGN TRADE OF PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT FIRMS.
- 3. EMBASSY NOTES IN THIS CONNECTION UPCOMING VISIT BY NORDIC METALWORKERS TO THE UNITED STATES. HOUSTON

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